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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 16, 2002, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, Claims 1-19 and 27-30, drawn to a method of protein engineering through the use of a computer program, for examination.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) on non-elected subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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